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POTASH REPORT SUMMARY
(Short Tons K_2O)

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	CANADIAN PRODUCERS			UNITED STATES PRODUCERS			TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS		
	1985	1984	Change %	1985	1984	Change %	1985	1984	Change %
Beginning Inventory	1,801,124	1,037,389	+73.6%	322,694	434,282	-25.7%	2,123,818	1,471,671	+44.3%
(+) Production	653,545	747,989	-12.6%	140,625	160,477	-12.4%	794,170	908,466	-12.6%
(-) Ending Inventory	1,856,779	1,131,818	+64.1%	353,845	423,599	-16.5%	2,210,624	1,555,417	+42.1%
(=) Total Disappearance	597,890	653,560	- 8.5%	109,474	171,160	-36.0%	707,364	824,720	-14.2%
(-) Exports	220,678	241,835	- 8.7%	44,704	33,614	+33.0%	265,382	275,449	- 3.7%
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	377,212	411,725	- 8.4%	64,770	137,546	-52.9%	441,982	549,271	-19.5%

SEVEN MONTHS (JULY-FEBRUARY) OF THE FERTILIZER YEAR

	CANADIAN PRODUCERS			UNITED STATES PRODUCERS			TOTAL CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS		
	1984-85	1983-84	Change %	1984-85	1983-84	Change %	1984-85	1983-84	Change %
Beginning Inventory	1,825,491	1,646,812	+10.8%	305,561	461,906	-33.8%	2,131,052	2,108,718	+ 1.1%
(+) Production	5,345,302	4,813,811	+11.0%	1,079,387	1,037,971	+ 4.0%	6,424,689	5,851,782	+ 9.8%
(-) Ending Inventory	1,856,779	1,131,818	+64.1%	353,845	423,599	-16.5%	2,210,624	1,555,417	+42.1%
(=) Total Disappearance	5,314,014	5,328,805	- 0.3%	1,031,103	1,076,278	- 4.2%	6,345,117	6,405,083	- 0.9%
(-) Exports	1,741,318	1,772,734	- 1.8%	397,679	240,995	+65.0%	2,138,997	2,013,729	+ 6.2%
(=) Disappearance-Canada & United States	3,572,696	3,556,071	+ 0.5%	633,424	835,283	-24.2%	4,206,120	4,391,354	- 4.2%

MONTH-END INVENTORIES - CANADIAN & U.S. PRODUCERS
(1000 Short Tons K_2O)

Fertilizer Year	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE
1984-85	2046	1563	1561	1895	2097	2050	2124	2211				
1983-84	2012	1521	1362	1235	1258	1384	1472	1555	1792	1965	1943	2131

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	PRODUCTION K_2O		ENDING INVENTORY K_2O FEBRUARY 28				DISAPPEARANCE K_2O	
	1985 FEB	1984	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1985	1984	1985 FEB	1984
Spec. Std. Muriate	13,326	25,093	17,688	20,156	37,844	49,881	12,074	55,021
Standard Muriate	237,797	223,607	361,085	196,271	557,356	304,314	229,314	259,454
Chemical Muriate	7,121	10,806	6,261	5,331	11,592	2,291	3,677	10,336
Coarse Muriate	211,075	307,214	315,105	414,573	729,678	523,246	199,326	241,628
Granular Muriate	231,190	246,712	371,374	247,414	618,788	432,648	175,815	149,455
Soluble Muriate	73,520	72,715	105,946	63,867	169,813	137,351	67,749	70,032
Sulphates	20,141	22,319	66,666	18,887	85,553	105,686	19,409	38,794
Total	794,170	908,466	1,244,125	966,499	2,210,624	1,555,417	707,364	824,720

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984
Spec. Std. Muriate	312	1,242	8,468	21,643	-	-	-	-	8,780	22,885
Standard Muriate	32,526	57,501	183,913	194,209	9,747	12,528	701	438	226,887	264,676
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	8,686	10,154	113	23	8,799	10,177
Coarse Muriate	180,796	207,134	18,208	10,959	-	-	-	-	199,004	218,093
Granular Muriate	132,410	146,178	36,194	19,700	-	-	-	-	168,604	165,878
Soluble Muriate	32,546	44,564	11,542	9,610	11,029	6,992	4,061	6,644	59,178	67,810
Sulphates	16,364	23,202	2,182	12,171	356	393	-	52	18,902	35,818
Total	394,954	479,821	260,507	268,292	29,818	30,067	4,875	7,157	690,154	785,337

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	1985 FEB	1984	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1985	1984	1985 FEB	1984
Spec. Std. Muriate	13,326	25,093	17,688	20,156	37,844	49,881	12,074	55,021
Standard Muriate	178,469	181,118	266,739	195,402	462,141	161,096	187,321	211,312
Chemical Muriate	6,236	6,611	4,590	5,331	9,921	1,214	1,580	6,433
Coarse Muriate	200,154	269,906	271,642	397,045	668,687	444,364	188,006	206,209
Granular Muriate	187,205	194,850	282,941	230,444	513,385	338,351	145,469	106,736
Soluble Muriate	68,155	70,411	100,949	63,852	164,801	136,912	63,440	67,849
Total	653,545	747,989	944,549	912,230	1,856,779	1,131,818	597,890	653,560

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON-AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984
Spec. Std. Muriate	312	1,242	8,468	21,643	-	-	-	-	8,780	22,885
Standard Muriate	19,580	38,533	156,463	178,039	2,085	2,163	-	2	178,128	218,737
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	6,590	6,251	113	23	6,703	6,274
Coarse Muriate	174,518	180,011	13,351	10,959	-	-	-	-	187,869	190,970
Granular Muriate	112,232	100,529	26,680	14,915	-	-	-	-	138,912	115,444
Soluble Muriate	31,085	43,131	11,542	9,610	8,182	6,252	4,061	6,644	54,870	65,637
Total	337,727	363,446	216,504	235,166	16,857	14,666	4,174	6,669	575,262	619,947

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	1985 FEB	1984	MINE SITE	OFF SITE	1985	1984	1985 FEB	1984
Standard Muriate	59,328	42,489	94,346	869	95,215	143,218	41,993	48,142
Chemical Muriate	885	4,195	1,671	-	1,671	1,077	2,097	3,903
Coarse Muriate	10,921	37,308	43,463	17,528	60,991	78,882	11,320	35,419
Granular Muriate	43,985	51,862	88,433	16,970	105,403	94,297	30,346	42,719
Soluble Muriate	5,365	2,304	4,997	15	5,012	439	4,309	2,183
Sulphates	20,141	22,319	66,666	18,887	85,553	105,686	19,409	38,794
Total	140,625	160,477	299,576	54,269	353,845	423,599	109,474	171,160

	AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				NON AGRICULTURAL SALES K_2O				TOTAL SALES K_2O AG & NON-AG	
	U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS		U.S. & CANADA		EXPORTS			
	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984	1985 FEB	1984
Standard Muriate	12,946	18,968	27,450	16,170	7,662	10,365	701	436	48,759	45,939
Chemical Muriate	-	-	-	-	2,096	3,903	-	-	2,096	3,903
Coarse Muriate	6,278	27,123	4,857	-	-	-	-	-	11,135	27,123
Granular Muriate	20,178	45,649	9,514	4,785	-	-	-	-	29,692	50,434
Soluble Muriate	1,461	1,433	-	-	2,847	740	-	-	4,308	2,173
Sulphates	16,364	23,202	2,182	12,171	356	393	-	52	18,902	35,818
Total	57,227	116,375	44,003	33,126	12,961	15,401	701	488	114,892	165,390